

HIS  
MAJESTIES  
Gracious Message

To both Houses of PARLIAMENT,  
on Munday the 14. of *Febr.* 1641:

WHEREIN

He assenteth to the bill against Bishops, their Votes in Parliament; and that no man in holy Orders shall meddle with any Temporall jurisdiction.

Also his gracious answer to the Clothiers Petition: And concurrence with both Houses in passing the Act for pressing of men, for a speedy supply of the distressed estate of Ireland.

Declaring also His royall intentions concerning Church-government, and the Booke of Common prayer.

*Whereunto is added,*

The Lords and Commons humble thanks to his Majesty, for the said message.

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LONDON.

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## MAJESTIES

## Gracious Message

To both Houses of PARLIAMENT  
on Monday the 14. of February 1688.

WHEREIN

He assented to the bill against Bi-  
shops their Votes in Parliament; and that  
no man in both Ordinaries should be  
any Temporal jurisdiction.

Also his gracious answer to the Officers Peti-  
tion. And compliance with both Houses  
the Act for settling of money for a yearly  
supply of the distressed state of Ireland.

Declaring also His royal intentions concerning Church  
Government and the Rights of Commons.

Witness my hand at London  
the 14. of February 1688.

The Lords and Commons humbly thanks to His  
Majesty for the said message.

LONDON

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*Luna 14. die Februarii.*

# HIS MAJESTIES Gracious Messager to both Houses of Parliament.

**T**Hough his Majesty is assured that his having so suddenly passed these two Bills being of so great importance, and so earnestly desired by both Houses, will serve to assure this Parliament, That He desires nothing more then the satisfaction of his Kingdome: yet that he may further manifest to both Houses how impatient he is till he finde out a full remedye to compose the present distempers, he is pleased to signifye:

That his Majesty will by Proclamation require that all Statutes made concerning

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Recusants, be with all care, diligence and severity put in execution.

That his Majesty is resolved, that the seven condemned Priests shall be immediately banished (if his Parliament shall consent thereunto) and his Majesty will give present Order (if it shall be held fit by both houses) that a Proclamation issue to require all Romish Priests within twenty daies to depart out of the Kingdom: and if any shall be apprehended after that time, his Majesty assures both houses in the word of a King, that he will grant no pardon to any such without consent of his Parliament.

And because his Majesty observes great and different troubles to arise in the hearts of his people concerning the government and Liturgy of the Church, this Majestie is willing to declare, that he will referre that whole consideration to the wisdom of his Parliament, which he desires them to enter into speedily. That the present distractions about the same may be composed; but desires not to be pressed to any single Act on his part, till the whole be so digested and settled

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settled by both houses, that his Majesty may  
clearly see what is fit to be left, as well as  
what is fit to be taken away.

For *Ireland* (in behalfe of which his Ma-  
jesty's heart bleeds) as his Majesty hath con-  
curred with all propositions made for that  
service by his Parliament, so he is resolved  
to leave nothing undone for their relief  
which shall fall within his possible power:  
nor will refuse to venture his owne Royall  
person in that warre, if his Parliament shall  
thinke it convenient for the Reduction of  
that miserable Kingdome.

And lastly, his Majesty taking notice by  
severall petitions of the great and generall  
decay of Trade in this Kingdome, and more  
particularly of that of Cloathing and new  
Draperies (concerning which he received  
lately at *Greenwich*, a modest, but earnest  
petition from the Clothiers of *Suffolke*) of  
which decay of Trade his Majesty hath a  
very deepe sence, both in respect of the ex-  
treame want and poverty it hath brought  
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and suffering upon many thousands of his  
dear Subjects, and of the influence it must  
have (in a very short time) upon the very  
subsistence of this Nation, doth earnestly  
recommend the consideration of that great  
and weighty business to both houses, pro-  
mising them, that he will most readily con-  
curre in any resolution their wisdoms shall  
find out which may conduce to so necessary  
a work.

From Our Court at Canterbury,

February 13. 1641.

James Duke of Richmond

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**T**He Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, doe with much joy receive, and with thankfullnesse acknowledge, Your Majesties Grace; and favour, in sending Your Royall assent to a Bill entituled, *An Act for disabling all persons in holy Orders to exercise any temporall jurisdiction or authority.* And also Your Majesties care for Iceland, expressed in the dispatch of the Bill of pressing, so much improving the safety of that and this Kingdoms.





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humble thanks unto His

MAJESTY.

The Lords and Commons assembled in Par-

liament, do hereby certify that the

Bill intituled, for the better

regulating the Trade of the

City of London, hath been

read the first time, and

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